

Application No. 10/734,304
Response under 37 CFR 1.111
Reply to Office Action dated May 5, 2004
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REMARKS

Currently, claims 1-20 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-12 and 17-20 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being obvious over claims 1-17 of U.S. Patent No. 6,555,806. Claims 13-16 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being obvious over claims 16 and 17 of U.S. Patent No. 6,710,326.

Applicant hereby submits a Terminal Disclaimer to obviate the double patenting rejection over these prior patents. In view of this Terminal Disclaimer, it is submitted that the rejection under the doctrine of double patenting should be withdrawn and claims 1-20 should be allowed.

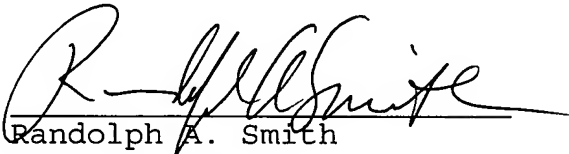
Therefore, it is respectfully requested that this application is now in condition for allowance and an action to this effect is respectfully requested.

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If there are any questions or concerns regarding the foregoing remarks, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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